

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An arrangement for fixing a windscreen wiper blade on an arm, the said blade having a through transverse pivot spindle intended for [[the]] forming a pivoting connection with the said arm and the said arm having an end rod, characterised in that [[it]] the arrangement comprises an independent piece referred to as an adapter mounted on the said blade [[and]] in which the said rod is fitted longitudinally and characterised in that a web of the adapter is provided with a longitudinal opening allowing passage of the said rod when the said rod is fitted.
2. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 1, characterised in that [[he]] the said adapter has a substantially U-shaped cross section whose flanges each have an orifice for snapping onto the said spindle and an end of which, referred to as the entry end, is open and in that the said adapter comprises means for the trasverse and longitudinal locking of the said arm.
3. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 2, characterised in that [[a]] the longitudinal locking means consists of an articulated part provided with a tenon fitted in an orifice arranged on the rod, when the latter is fitted.
4. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 3, characterised in that this locking means consists of a cross-member ~~articulated~~ articulated on the adapter by means of at least one flexible tongue, carrying the said tenon and forming, with [[the]] a web of the adapter at its entry end, a positioning channel for the rod.
5. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 2, characterised in that [[a]] the longitudinal locking means consists of [[the]] a housing arranged on the adapter in which a stop on the rod comes into engagement, when the latter is fitted.
6. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 5, characterised in that the said housing is arranged on [[the]] a web of the adapter close to [[its]] an end of the adapter opposite to the entry end and the said stop arranged at the end of the rod.

7. (Previously Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 6, characterised in that the said housing is conformed by virtue of a profiled snapping-in rib on the internal surface of the adapter and the said stop is a profiled catch at the end of the rod.
8. (Previously Amended) The arrangement according to Claim 2, characterised in that the adapter has at least one fixed cross-member for the transverse locking of the rod.
9. (Cancelled)